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SUBJECT: OPERATION TAMERLANE GFXA-78-8018

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B) ISLAMABAD 6044 DTG 211137Z JUNE 78

1. ON JUNE 27, 1978 UNNA DISCUSSED FEASIBILITY OF OPERATION WITH CHIEF OF CRIMINAL AFFAIRS, FAROUK YACOOBI. YACOOBI ADVISED UNNA THAT HE FEARS CURRENT POLITICAL SITUATION IN JALALABAD AREA COULD JEOPARDIZE OPERATION INVOLVING PASKISTANI NATIONALS DUE TO HEAVY MILITARY INVOLVEMENT IN INTERNAL SECURITY ACTIONS IN THAT AREA. YACOOBI SAID THAT THE POLICE WOULD BE POWERLESS TO INTERVENE IF ONE OF THE SOURCES WERE ARRESTED BY THE MILITARY.

2. YACOOBI TOLD UNNA THAT IF SUFFICIENT INFORMATION CAN BE DEVELOPED FROM THE "PASKISTANI SIDE" AND FURNISHED TO HIM THE POLICE IN JALALABAD WOULD ACT.

3. IN ESSENCE YACOOBI DOES NOT FEEL CONFIDENT ENOUGH IN HIS POSITION TO SANCTION THE OPERATION AND WOULD PROBABLY DENY PRIOR KNOWLEDGE IF ONE OF THE OPERATIVES WERE ARRESTED BY THE MILITARY. ON THE OTHER HAND HE WOULD GLADLY ACT ON THE INFORMATION IF IT DOES NOT REQUIRE HIS HAVING TO INTERVENE WITH ANY OTHER
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ELEMENTS OF GOVERNMENT (OR OTHER POLICE SECTIONS) TO FREE OPERATIVE WHO COULD BY CHANCE GET ARRESTED. IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT UNDER CURRENT UNSTABLE SITUATION ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL COULD SANCTION THE OPERATION.

4. WILL DEFER TO ISLAMABAD ON FEASIBILITY OF OPERATION UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES.

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